

# Goanna Park Camper Application Form 2017

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## Goanna Park National Adventure Camp Application Form 2017

### Background Information

Variety, the Children's Charity, NT would like to invite teens to participate in the 2017 Goanna Park National Adventure Camps. There are two camps being held from Saturday, 1 July to Saturday, 15 July 2017 at the Goanna Park National Adventure Camp facility, one hour out of Darwin.

Each year, Variety NT runs the National Adventure Camp for teenagers with mild to moderate special needs from around Australia. As part of the adventure experience, campers sleep outside in large screened tents and participate in various activities such as abseiling, motor bike riding, fish feeding, horse riding and go-kart racing. The Goanna Park Adventure Camp program is designed to assist participants gain self-esteem and confidence, to challenge their comfort zones, develop life skills and promote friendships with other participants with whom they can empathize.

The camp is funded by the Variety office in each State or Territory and includes accommodation, food, entry fees and airfares when applicable.

Safety is paramount and every care will be taken in ensuring that participants have an enjoyable and safe Camp. Qualified instructors, experienced Carers and a Registered Nurse are on-board to oversee all operations and St Johns Ambulance is on call at all times.

Unfortunately, due to the nature of the camps activities and the terrain at Goanna Park we are unable to cater for wheelchairs or other mobility equipment.

Please complete the online application. Should you require more information please contact the Grants Officer in the Northern Territory office on 08 8981 2544.

Applications close on 30 April 2017.

## Goanna Park 2017 Camper Guidelines

### Goanna Park 2017 Camper Guideline

#### APPLICATION GUIDELINES

- The Camp is organised for teenagers who are disadvantaged, sick or with a special need. Due to the nature of the camp, teens with behavioural issues may need direct attention and supervision for their safety and the safety of others so please notify Variety upon application so the adequate support can be managed prior to the camp. This is important.
- Ages should be 13 – 17 years for both boys and girls – (as at date of Camp)
- Due to the activities, and to ensure enjoyment by all participants, it is requested that campers have a level of communication that allows comprehension of basic instructions. An average level of gross motor skills is required. Those skills should include the ability to walk unaided.

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- All activities are voluntary and there is one or more swimming activities so we do recommend that campers can swim, however, alternative programs can be organised if advised in advance.
- Boys and girls should be independent in lifestyle and personal skills, such as hygiene and toileting.
- All campers applications are to be accompanied by a letter from a registered health practitioner (children on medication are welcome provided a doctor's letter with medication requirements is sent to the Camp Registered Nurse with registration forms). Enough medication must be supplied with the camper for the duration of the camp - including travel time. Medication should be in its original container with dispensing instructions clearly identified or in Webster Packs (preferable). Please provide your child's doctor's name and phone number as requested on the application form. The final decision about the child's suitability to attend camp will be at the discretion of the Camp Coordinator in conjunction with the Registered Nurse.
- Parents must sign the Campers Application Form (which includes the Camper's Declaration and Permission form) before their child can be accepted.
- Parents are not expected to accompany their child on the camp. From past experience, the teenagers attending Camp show much greater personal development and independence in a new environment away from their usual routines, confines or familiar faces. However, applications from parents with genuine and compelling reasons to attend will be considered.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact the Grants Officer on 08 8981 2544.

## Goanna Park Application Details

\* indicates a required field

Please note that priority will be given to children who have not previously attended camp. Should vacancies still exist, applications from children who have previously attended camp will be assessed.

### Personal Details

**Child's Name \***

**Child's Date of Birth \***

**Child's Gender**

- ☐ Female  
☐ Male  
☐ Other:

**Address \***

Address

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Suburb	State	Postcode

Must be an Australian post code

**Postal Address (if  
different from above)**

**Parent/Carer email  
address \***

Please ensure you provide an email address so we can email you information prior to Camp. If you do not have access to email, please write 'use home address' in the email section. If any details change prior to Camp, please notify Variety NT.

**Please upload a  
passport style photo of  
the camper \***

Attach a file:

**Emergency Contacts**

**Primary Contact Name \***

**Mobile Telephone \***

**A/H Telephone \***

**Relationship to Child \***

- ☐ Parent
- ☐ Guardian
- ☐ Foster Carer
- ☐ Grandparent
- ☐ Other:

**Secondary Contact  
Name \***

**Mobile Telephone \***

**A/H Telephone \***

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☐ Other:

### Camp Preferences

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- ☐ Saturday 1 July - Saturday 8 July 2017  
☐ Saturday 8 July - Saturday 15 July 2017  
☐ I can attend either Camp.

**Has your child attended  
Goanna Park in the  
past? \***

- ☐ Yes  
☐ No

### Medical Details

**Instructions for prescribed drugs must be provided and signed by your doctor.  
Please ensure your child's immunisation schedule is up to date.**

**Child's diagnosis or  
special need \***

**Medication (include  
Vitamins if taken  
regularly) \***

If nil medication taken, please write nil

**Drug Allergies \***

**Year of last tetanus  
vaccination \***

**Child's Medicare Number  
\***

**Doctor's Name \***

**Doctor's Phone Number  
\***

**Doctor's letter  
detailing medication  
requirements and other  
needs ie behavioural \***

Attach a file:

Please note that this information is kept in confidence and is used by Camp Nurse

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### Caring For Your Child At Camp

If your child does not have a carer accompanying them to the Camp then Variety NT will designate a Carer on their arrival. All of our Carers have worked with children with special needs. Each Carer will be responsible for 2 children where possible and appropriate.

**Does anything make your child upset or afraid? \***

**Please tell us about the care needs of your child? \***

**Please tell us about your child's interests and hobbies \***

**Does your child have any specific behavioural issues? \***

**How can we help your child manage these behaviours?**

**Is there anything else you would like to tell us to best support your child while they are on Camp?**

**Does your child have any specific food requirements (eg vegetarian, coeliac) - PLEASE SPECIFY**

**Does your child have any food allergies? eg nuts, eggs, gluten - PLEASE SPECIFY**

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**Are there any drinks  
your child must avoid?**

### Adventure Activities

**Able to walk over 1km \***

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not Sure

**Can run more than 50  
metres \***

- ☐ Yes, can run 50+ m
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

**Afraid of Heights  
(abseiling/rockclimbing)  
\***

- ☐ No, afraid of heights
- ☐ Happy to have a go
- ☐ Not sure

**Able to sit and be led  
around on a horse \***

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

**Able to swim 50 metres**

- ☐ Yes
- ☐ No
- ☐ Not sure

**Asthmatic \***

**Heart Condition \***

**Epilepsy/Fitting \***

**Back Problems \***

**Any breathing problems  
\***

**Other**

**Does your child have  
any condition that  
requires monitoring  
considering the nature  
of the Camp activities? \***

### Camp Shirts

**What size t shirt does  
your child wear? \***

- ☐ Small (chest measurement 96cm)
- ☐ Medium (chest measurement 102 cm)
- ☐ Large (chest measurement 112cm)

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- ☐ XL (chest measurement 122cm)
- ☐ XXL (chest measurement 136cm)
- ☐ Other:

### Campers Code of Conduct

1. Each of us at Goanna Park is responsible for making the camp enjoyable and fun in a safe and respectful environment and we will need your help to achieve this.
2. We can show we respect for others by treating them how we would like others to treat us.
3. Please follow the directions and instructions of your Carer, Camp staff and adults supervising you at all times.
4. If you are experiencing any issues, you should talk to your carer or another adult so that we can help you.
5. Respect others privacy and personal space. This rule applies to everyone at the camp. Harrassment of any type will not be tolerated on camp and we need to ensure that everyone feels safe and respected.
6. You must not leave the camp area without a Carer. The lake and bush area is out of bounds. We need to know where you are at all times so we can make sure you are safe.
7. After lights out you are not allowed in someone else's tent or room. No exceptions.
8. At all times we are to set a good example to others whether at the camp or on an excursion. We can do this by using our manners and by being considerate.
9. Consumption of illegal substances including cigarettes or alcohol is prohibited. No exceptions.
10. Please keep the camp and facilities clean by putting your rubbish in the bins provided.
11. We are here to make sure you have a great time on camp, please ask questions or let us know when we can help you or make you feel more comfortable.

**MOST IMPORTANTLY - HAVE A LOT OF FUN AND SMILE LOTS!**

**Please sign to show you agree to behave in a way that is consistent with the Goanna Park Code of Conduct \***

Type name

### Campers Declaration and Permission Form.

#### Agreement to Terms and Conditions

I, \_\_\_\_\_ as the parent/guardian of this applicant, residing at the address listed on this application form, give permission for my child to attend and participate in the Variety NT Goanna Park National Adventure Camp held between 1-15 July 2017 at the Goanna Park Junior Police Rangers Youth Facility. I further indemnify and keep harmless Variety, the children's charity NT, from and against release and forever hold Variety NT harmless with respect to any and all claims. Further, I

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understand that Variety, the children's charity, NT recognise and accepts a duty of care of all participants.

**Agreement \***

☐ Yes, I accept these terms and conditions      ☐ No, I do not accept these terms and conditions.

Should your child be accepted to attend Goanna Park 2017, a hard copy of this form will be mailed to you for witnessing of signatures.

**Full Name Parent/Legal Guardian**

**Signature Parent/Legal Guardian**

**Witness Full Name**

**Witness Signature**

**Witness Address**

**Date**

## Publicity Consent Form

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Privacy Policy – Variety, The Children's Charity of Northern Territory abides by the NT Information Act & current Privacy Act Legislation.

At Goanna Park Adventure Camp we film and photograph the activities and fun events and make a DVD as a lasting record of the experience at camp. We would also like the opportunity to promote the camp and utilise any of the photographs and DVD footage for promotional purposes. For this we need your consent.

### PUBLICITY CONSENT FORM

I, being the Parent or Guardian of the child applicant on this form, authorise Variety, the Children's Charity of Northern Territory and associated Media (TV or Press) to use footage/ photographs taken of my child/children/myself. By signing this consent I hereby agree to hold Variety, the Children's Charity of Northern Territory and associated Media and its Licensees harmless against any claims arising from same.

**Please note: Children at the Camp are likely to possess a mobile phone or camera. They may then choose to upload these photos on social media sites such as Facebook.**



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**Variety, the Children's Charity of the NT has no control over the use of these photographs and cannot take responsibility.**

**Parent/Guardian Name \***

**Phone Number \***

Please note: should your child be successful, this Publicity Consent Form will be mailed to your for signatures and witnessing.

**Address \***

Address

Suburb State Postcode

Must be an Australian post code

## What to Bring on the Camp

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**Please label all clothing with a laundry marker. A laundry bag will be issued to each camper**

1. Sleeping Bag & Pillow (compulsory)
2. Shoes/Trainers/comfortable shoes and thongs/sandals for bedtime and early morning
3. Toiletry items
4. Mosquito Repellant and Sunscreen - **ESSENTIAL**
5. Pocket money - if a child is bringing pocket money to purchase souvenirs, we recommend a \$50 limit
6. Clothing suitable for outdoor activities and sport.

Note temperatures drop to 16-18 degrees at night so include a pullover/cardigan and warm pyjamas. One pair of jeans or similar will also be required for horse riding. Day temperatures are up to 36C during the Dry Season. It does not normally rain in June/July. Laundry days will be Tuesday and Thursday, so plan clothes required with this in mind. A minimum of 7 sets of underwear are recommended and at least 5x t-shirts and 5 x shorts

7. Bathers
8. Two (2) x towels - 1 for the shower, 1 for the pool
9. Hat
10. Torch (with new or spare batteries) - **ESSENTIAL**
11. Water bottle
12. Feminine hygiene products if required to last one week
13. **MEDICINES and MEDICATION INSTRUCTIONS - ESSENTIAL**

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**DISCO:** We will be having a disco one evening during the camp and this year's theme will be '**Fluro Fun and Crazy Hair**' so bring along any items or clothing that you could use to dress up on this night.

**TALENT QUEST:** Have you got a talent that you would like to share at Goanna Park this year? Variety will host the Goanna Park talent quest. You can do anything you think will entertain the crowd. Do you like to sing? Do you have a favorite dance move, or are you really good at writing poems? Please make sure you bring to the camp whatever you might need for the talent quest. Bring your music, lyrics or an outfit - there will be prizes so make sure you dance to impress!